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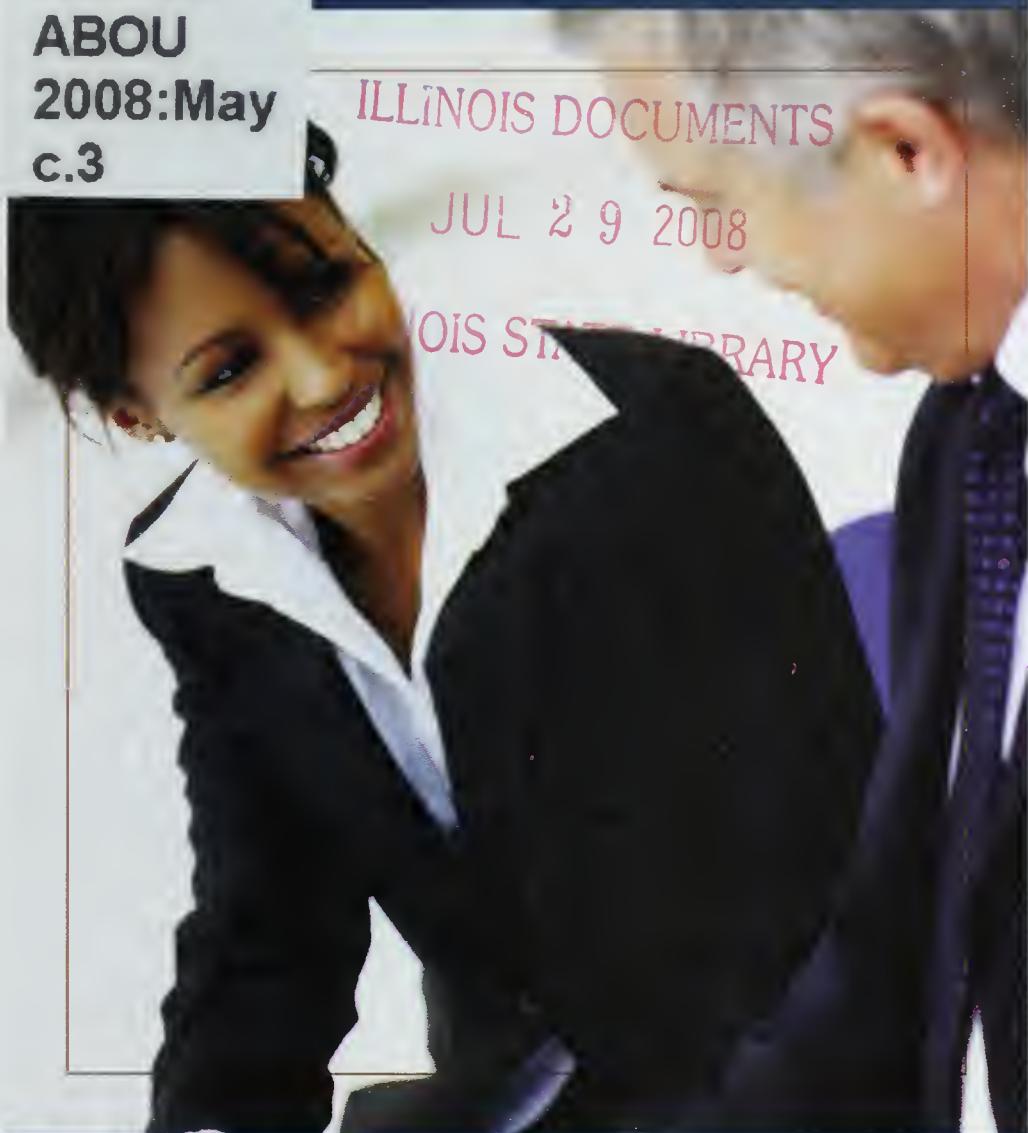
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BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

The **Bureau of Business Development** administers programs and services designed to help new and existing Illinois businesses thrive and create jobs.

- > OFFERS TAX RELIEF AND TRAINING ASSISTANCE

ENERGY & RECYCLING

The **Bureau of Energy & Recycling** seeks to demonstrate the economic development benefits of energy efficiency, renewable energy, and recycling through a variety of programs and services.

- > HELPS ILLINOIS BUSINESSES MANAGE THEIR ENERGY COSTS
- > PROVIDES FUNDING FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF ETHANOL AND BIODIESEL REFINERIES

OFFICE OF COAL DEVELOPMENT

The **Office of Coal Development** works to preserve and strengthen Illinois coal production and related industries by providing technical and financial support programs.

- > SUPPORTS CLEAN COAL TECHNOLOGIES AND COAL-RELATED INDUSTRIES
- > OFFERS FINANCIAL SERVICES

BUREAU OF TOURISM

The **Bureau of Tourism** offers programs and services designed to market Illinois as a tourism destination in order to increase domestic and international visitation to the state.

- > PROMOTES TRAVEL TO AND WITHIN ILLINOIS
- > ADVERTISES ILLINOIS AS BOTH A BUSINESS AND LEISURE TRAVEL DESTINATION



TECHNOLOGY & INDUSTRIAL COMPETITIVENESS

The Bureau of Technology & Industrial Competitiveness offers programs and services that help position Illinois businesses and citizens in the commercialization of new technologies, access to modernizing technologies and business practices.

- > HELPS MANUFACTURERS ADOPT AND UTILIZE NEW TECHNOLOGIES
- > PROVIDES GRANT DOLLARS TO TECHNOLOGY-BASED BUSINESSES

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

The Bureau of Community Development offers programs designed to improve the physical and social infrastructure of Illinois communities by providing financial assistance, technical assistance and other programs.

- > ASSISTS LOCAL GOVERNMENT WITH MANAGEMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE NEEDS
- > CREATES ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY FOR LOW-INCOME CITIZENS

ILLINOIS ENTREPRENEURSHIP NETWORK

The Illinois Entrepreneurship Network (IEN) serves the needs of Illinois small businesses and entrepreneurs by providing comprehensive business assistance, training, information, advocacy and access to critical resources in a rapidly changing global economy.

- > SUPPORTS BUSINESSES THROUGH INFORMATION, COUNSELING AND TRAINING
- > PROVIDES ACCESS TO CAPITAL AND NEW MARKETS

ILLINOIS FILM OFFICE

The Illinois Film Office seeks to increase economic growth by increasing the number of productions filmed in Illinois.

- > PROMOTES PRODUCTION OF MOVIES, TV SHOWS, COMMERCIALS, DOCUMENTARIES AND MUSIC VIDEOS
- > OFFERS THE FILM PRODUCTION SERVICES TAX CREDIT



OFFICE OF TRADE & INVESTMENT

The **Office of Trade & Investment** offers programs and services designed to create jobs and commerce in Illinois by helping Illinois firms export their products and by helping attract new foreign direct investment to Illinois.

- > HOSTS TRADE MISSIONS ABROAD TO PROMOTE EXPORT
- > PROMOTES ILLINOIS AS THE IDEAL LOCATION FOR FOREIGN-OWNED BUSINESSES

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

The **Bureau of Workforce Development** helps cultivate a well-trained Illinois workforce, by expanding employment and training opportunities that help citizens achieve financial independence and a higher quality of life.

- > PROVIDES TRAINING FOR HIGH WAGE, IN-DEMAND OCCUPATIONS
- > INCREASES ACCESS TO WORKFORCE SERVICES THROUGH TECHNOLOGY

HOMELAND SECURITY

The **Homeland Security Market Development Bureau** offers a variety of financial tools specifically intended to foster the growth of the homeland security industry.

- > OFFERS GRANTS TO BRING NEW HOMELAND SECURITY PRODUCTS TO MARKET

LOCAL GOVERNMENT INITIATIVES

The **Office of Local Government Initiatives** provides professional and technical assistance to all units of local government in Illinois to help them achieve economic development success.

- > PROVIDES PLANNING AND CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAMS TO ASSIST LOCAL GOVERNMENT
- > ASSISTS LOCAL GOVERNMENTS IN IMPROVING AND ENHANCING OPERATIONS



The Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity seeks to improve Illinois' competitiveness in the global economy. DCEO provides a variety of economic development programs, services, initiatives, and information designed to build growing, prosperous industries, high quality jobs and world-class communities.

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ROD R. BLAGOJEVICH
GOVERNOR

Jack Lavin has served as Governor Rod R. Blagojevich's Director of the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity for more than four years. During this time, he has led the transformation of the agency into an organization geared to meet the challenges of the 21st Century economy.



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Director Lavin has twenty-one years of public and private sector experience and a record of job creation and financial management in both the business world and in Illinois state government.

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